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Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 110

Introduced by Senator Torlakson
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Wolk)

March 27, 2006

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 110—Relative to National Library Week.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 110, as amended, Torlakson. National Library Week.

This measure would recognize the week of April 2, 2006, to April 8, 2006, inclusive, as National Library Week, would applaud the positive and vital impact of California's public libraries, librarians, and all library workers, and would thank them.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, National Library Week is being celebrated in
2 public libraries throughout California from April 2 through April
3 8, 2006; and
4 WHEREAS, California's public libraries are centers for
5 education, information, and entertainment; and
6 WHEREAS, California's public libraries and librarians
7 advance teaching and learning by helping students, faculty, and
8 researchers obtain the best, most accurate, and complete
9 information; and
10 WHEREAS, California's public libraries are changing and
11 dynamic places, offering computers, Internet access, e-mail

1 reference, and other innovative services to connect their users
2 with ideas and information; and

3 WHEREAS, California's public libraries provide technology
4 training for patrons of all ages and help to bridge the "digital
5 divide" for those who do not have access to technology at home
6 or at school; and

7 WHEREAS, California's public libraries change lives by
8 serving over 100,000 adults and children annually through
9 customized literacy services delivered primarily through trained
10 volunteers; and

11 WHEREAS, Students are a rapidly growing group of library
12 users, visiting the state's public libraries after school and on
13 weekends for homework assistance and for materials to use in
14 school assignments; and

15 WHEREAS, California's public libraries are important
16 community educational resources, providing innovative
17 programs for youth such as preschool literacy readiness, Toddler
18 Times, the Summer Reading Program, Homework Help Centers,
19 Grandparents and Books, and Reach Out and Read in
20 conjunction with pediatric clinics; and

21 WHEREAS, California's public libraries preserve our cultural
22 heritage, inform our present, and inspire our future; and

23 WHEREAS, More than 20 million people use California's
24 public libraries annually; and

25 WHEREAS, California's public libraries provide equal and
26 economical services and, in many cases, serve as a community's
27 only public point of access to resources for learning; now,
28 therefore, be it

29 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
30 *thereof concurring, That the ~~Legislative~~ Legislature of the State*
31 *of California recognizes the week of April 2 to April 8, 2006, as*
32 *National Library Week, applauds the positive and vital impact of*
33 *California's public libraries, librarians, and all library workers,*
34 *and thanks them for enriching the lives of residents and helping*
35 *to make our state an exceptional place to live, learn, and work;*
36 *and be it further*

37 *Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of*
38 *this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.*

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